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TO YOUNG FARMERS

By Hugh P. McClimon

The South Carolina Association will be represented by Hugh Weathers of Bowman in Elanco's "Spokesperson for Agriculture" Award Program. He will compete with other state winners on the first day of the 16th National Young Farmer Educational Institute to be held December 12-16 in San Antonio, Texas. The three top spokespersons will be selected for a media blitz to several major cities in January. Also attending the Institute to serve as official delegates on the National Executive Committee will be Dan Alt of Chester and Ray Galloway of Darlington. Several representatives from other chapters including Brittons Neck and Lake View will be a part of the delegation. This year's Institute will have special significance in the history of the Young Farmer Program since a National Young Farmer Educational Association, Inc. was organized with the adoption of a constitution and bylaws at a delegates' meeting held in July.

The 35th Annual State Convention will be held January 21-22 at the Sheraton International in Spartanburg. Both the General Session and Ladies' Program will begin at 1:30 p.m. Following a Business Session, the men will tour the Milliken Research Center and the wives will have a tour of points of interest around Spartanburg. The Annual Banquet at 7:00 p.m. will feature the presentation of awards and COTTON IVY!!! The presentation of awards will be completed during the Breakfast Session along with an address by Casey Pitts of DeKalb. Chapters are reminded to recommend a member for the "Outstanding Service Award."

Make plans to attend!

TO FUTURE FARMERS

By J. Earl Frick, Jr.

The 1982-83 school year is off to a fast start, and FFA membership dues are arriving daily. Your State FFA Association needs your membership to stay strong and to be able to continue to offer programs and services which will benefit all members. If you have not paid your FFA dues for 1982-83, please give them to your advisor now so that your name can be added to the membership roster along with nearly half a million FFA members throughout our United States. Through your membership and participation in the FFA organization, you will develop leadership skills that will benefit you throughout your life.

FFA Greenhands will be especially interested in the FFA Creed Contest which was initiated at the 1982 State FFA Convention. Participation in the Creed Speaking Contest is limited to first year Greenhand students enrolled in vocational agriculture in the ninth or tenth grade. The contest will be held at the State FFA Convention in June, and some good awards will be presented to the winners.

Plans are under way to revise another of the popular FFA leadership activities - the Parliamentary Procedure Contest. The number of abilities to demonstrate has been increased from 12 to 20. A sample set of answers to parliamentary questions is being developed by a committee and will soon be sent to each teacher in the state.

The FFA organization offers many opportunities for each member to become a leader. Participation in the FFA activities and awards program is the key to your future success in the world of work.

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SCVATA AWARDS BANQUET

STAFF MEMBER RETIRES



William M. Harris, Agricultural Education Consultant in the Department of Education, retired in June, 1982 after 40 years of distinguished service as an agricultural educator. He joined the staff of the State Department of Education in 1948 as a district supervisor of veterans farm training. In 1949, he assumed the duties of district supervisor and served in that capacity until his retirement.

In addition to his normal duties of promoting, providing technical assistance and evaluating agricultural education programs in his district, he served on committees to develop curriculum materials for use by teachers and students of agriculture. He also served as editor of the *South Carolina Young Farmer-Future Farmer Magazine* from 1971 until his retirement and coordinator for the District II Office of Vocational Education.

His career in Agricultural Education began at Oakway High School in Oconee County in 1947. He also taught agricultural education at Monticello High School in Fairfield County prior to his appointment in the State Department of Education in 1948.

He entered the military service in 1942 as an Army Air Corps officer and served in the South Pacific Theater in World War II as an air operations officer and test pilot. He also served as Island Air Commander on the Fifi Islands. He remained in the Air Force Reserves until 1965.

A native of Oconee County, Mr. Harris is a graduate of Fair Play High School and received his B.S. Degree in agricultural education from Clemson College in 1942. He completed his masters degree at the University of South Carolina in 1951.

He was awarded the Honorary American Farmer Degree, the highest award bestowed upon non members of the National FFA Organization and received the Outstanding Service Award and Honorary State Farmer Degree from the South Carolina Association of FFA,

the highest awards bestowed by that body upon non members. He was selected outstanding agricultural educator in South Carolina in 1982.

Mr. Harris holds membership in numerous professional organizations, including the American Vocational Association, South Carolina Vocational Association, South Carolina Vocational Agricultural Teacher's Association, National Vocational Agricultural Teacher's Association, National Association of Supervisors in Agricultural Education and South Carolina Livestock Producers Association. He is also a member of the Bethel Methodist Church, Chester Sertoma Club, Chester Masonic Lodge and Loyal Order of the Moose.

He is married to the former Christine McMaster of Winnsboro and they have four children, Chris, Mary Lake, Bill and Beth.

All of his friends and associates extend best wishes and wish for him and his family many years of happy and productive retirement.

RETIREEES



Four outstanding vocational agriculture teachers and a state staff member retired at the end of the school year 1981-82. They are from left to right: W. M. Harris, District Consultant, Chester; George Limehouse, agriculture teacher, Orangeburg; S. C. Smith, agriculture teacher, Wagener. Others retiring but not present when the picture was made: Frank Adams, Saluda; Mark Shealy, Hartsville.

AWARDS BANQUET Continued

SERVICE AWARDS

FORTY-YEAR PLAQUE



W. M. Harris receives his forty-year service plaque from Frank R. Stover (right), State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture.

Service awards are presented to vocational agriculture teachers and staff members for outstanding service to the Future Farmers of America, Young Farmers, the vocational agriculture programs, and communities in which they serve.

RECOGNIZED



W. S. Wilkins, President, SCVATA, recognized power company representatives for years of service to Vocational Agriculture, Farm Electrification Programs, and Energy Conservation by conducting workshops for agriculture teachers and sponsoring the electrification programs for young farmers and future farmers in South Carolina. These men are Agriculture Engineers with their respective companies. They are left to right: Wilkins, agriculture teacher, York Vocational Center; Joe Brown, South Carolina Electric and Gas Company, Columbia; Jim Tyson, Duke Power Company, Charlotte; and not present for the picture was Lewis Williamson, Carolina Power and Light Company, Florence.

These men each received certificates for outstanding service to Vocational Agriculture.

THIRTY-YEAR PLAQUES



Left to right: H. S. Clinkscales, Crescent; Charles Gilmore, Jr., Seneca; E. M. Jamison, Fountain Inn; L. A. McDowell, Chesnee; and Jack P. Corn, Laurens AVC. Also Melvin J. Campbell (deceased), Barnwell.

TWENTY-YEAR KEYS

NONE

TEN-YEAR KEYS



Receiving a ten-year key and a certificate were: left to right, James D. Danial, Lake City Career Center; Steve Wilson McCrorey, Liston; and Edgar B. Johnson, Pickens AVC. Awarded keys but not present were: Fred S. Wilkins, Jr., Blacksburg; Howard M. Vassey, Buford; James B. Anderson, Conway; and John D. Bonnette, Loris.

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AWARDS BANQUET Continued

STATE SUPERINTENDENT



Dr. Charlie G. Williams, State Superintendent of Education, was in attendance at the annual awards banquet for Vocational Agriculture teachers and brought those present greetings from the South Carolina Department of Education and gave a brief update on the budget for 1982-83 school year.

STATE DIRECTOR



Dr. Moody Oswald, Director of the Office of Vocational Education in the South Carolina Department of Education, is shown, left, conferring with F. R. Stover, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, at the annual awards banquet for vocational agriculture teachers.

EXCHANGE OF IDEAS



The National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association sponsors an "Exchange of Ideas" Contest between teachers of agriculture at the Annual Summer Conference. Jack Cunningham from Gilbert was the State Winner for 1982. S. W. Stoudenmire from Latta was second. Cunningham received a brief case, and Stoudenmire received a pen and pencil set. Cunningham is shown above, right, receiving his prize from W. S. Wilkins, president of the S. C. Agriculture Teachers Association.

NVATA SPONSORS 30-MINUTE CLUB

The National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association recognizes teachers and staff members who prepare newspaper articles, radio programs, and TV programs that are distributed across state lines. This program is known as 30-Minute Club, and for 1982 the following individuals are members of the 30-Minute Club and received the certificate from the National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association: Harold J. Mackey, Belton; W. Royce Caines and George M. Reid, Pendleton; Charles G. Moore, Dorman; Dennis Haltiwanger, Boiling Springs; W. S. Wilkins, Floyd D. Johnson Vocational Center; Donald Williams, Clover; Jerry Pace, Brittons Neck; Dr. John Rodgers, Head, Agriculture Education Department, Clemson University; and his staff members, Dr. James Daniels, Dr. Alex Hash, and Dr. Lloyd Blanton.

S. C. YOUNG FARMER SUMMER TOUR

Approximately 130 young farmers, wives, and teachers of agriculture from South Carolina were guests of Pioneer Hybrid International, Inc., for a two-day Open House and Field Day. The event took place at Pioneer's production plant located at Laurinburg, N. C. The Laurinburg plant is one of eight in Pioneer's eastern division that prepares Pioneer Hybrid Corn and Pioneer wheat varieties for planting. The experimental plots located here include most corn and wheat varieties planted in the Carolinas and Virginia. These plots contain Pioneer leader hybrids as well as new varieties that will be leaders in the future.

The activities began with an evening meal at the Holiday Inn. This was followed by a meeting conducted by the Pioneer Staff and consisted of motion pictures and a slide talk presentation. Information was given on this company's research program, hybrid seed development, processing, precommercial varieties, population studies, nematocide, herbicide, and nitrogen rate studies. The next day the studies discussed the night before were observed in the field. In addition, at the plant we observed 1983 seed corn arriving on the ear and followed unloading, husking, drying and shelling operations as well as planter calibration and bagging.

The tour concluded with a catered barbeque luncheon under the pines at the office. Everyone left much more informed about hybrid seed breeding and development.



This picture shows a portion of the 130 Young Farmers, their wives, and agriculture teachers from South Carolina that were guests of Pioneer Seed, Laurinburg, N.C.

COVER PHOTO

Elected to lead the South Carolina Vocational Agriculture teachers for 1982-83 were: L/R, Jerry Pace - president, Brittons Neck; Jake Bookard - president elect; Steve Wilson - vice-president, District 2, McCrorey-Liston; Maxie L. Rush - vice-president, District 3, Hartsville AVC; Scott Crosby - vice-president, District 4, Midland Valley (Aiken); and F. M. Bridwell - executive secretary, Greenville. L. V. Walker, vice-president, District 1, Wrenn - not present when picture was made.



The sign welcomes South Carolina Young Farmers at the Holiday Inn in Laurinburg as they arrive for the Pioneer Field Day.



This photo shows a Young Farmer from Pelion, South Carolina, examining a more promising variety of seed corn with one of the seed breeders from Pioneer.



This young man is Julian Dixon, Pioneer's representative in South and North Carolina and Virginia. He was our host during the summer tour.

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S. C. YOUNG FARMER TOUR



This is Dan Alt, President of the S. C. Young Farmer Association, who was spokesman for the group of 130 who made the Pioneer tour. Dan also thanked our host for a most informative and enjoyable trip.



This picture shows a few of the many, many varieties of seed corn being studied and developed at Laurinburg, N. C. by Pioneer.



This shows a group of hungry S. C. Young Farmers and their wives eating a delicious barbeque luncheon at the Pioneer plant.

TEACHERS WORKSHOP

Eighteen teachers of agriculture and staff members attended the Hunter, Gun and Boating Safety Workshop held at the Webb Wildlife Center in Hampton County. The date was August 9-13. The workshop began Monday afternoon and ended the following Friday at 3 p.m. Sessions were scheduled each day and night and included both classroom and field work. Instructions and demonstrations were given by the S. C. Wildlife and Marine Resources Department. The workshop covered many subjects such as boating safety, which included weather, laws, seamanship, navigational lights and aids to navigation, emergency procedures and first aid.

The next subject was hunter safety and conservation. This included hunting traditions and ethics, the hunter and conservation, the hunter's responsibilities in safety, firearms and ammunition, fundamentals of shooting, and safe gun handling.

Game management practices for deer, quail, and rabbits were included in the workshop and covered the following subjects: food, shelter, space, water, carrying capacity, and also a session on field dressing of large and small animals.

A session on the seven poisonous snakes found in South Carolina was also included. They are the diamond-back rattler, the timber rattler, the canebrake, the pygmy, the cottonmouth or water moccasin, the copperhead, and the coral. First-aid was covered in case you are bitten by one of these snakes. Also, we had a discussion on how to recognize and locate these snakes before you are bitten.

The purpose of the workshop was to prepare teachers of agriculture to conduct these type workshops in their respective communities.



These are the members of the group at the Webb Wildlife Center workshop this summer.

TEACHERS WORKSHOP Continued



This building is the headquarters and training building located at the Webb Wildlife Center.



These men are observing a member of the Wildlife and Marine Resources Staff cooking venison.



This is a group receiving instructions on gun safety.



This group is identifying the food planted for wildlife at the Webb Center.



This is a group of the hunter safety workshop participants observing the game management practices at the Webb Wildlife Center.



This group is receiving instructions on basic shooting.

FFA MEMBERS IN ACTION

FAIRS AND SHOWS

The 1982 Future Farmers from throughout South Carolina entered their beef, dairy, swine, and educational exhibits in Junior and Open Show competition in local, county, and state fairs. Some of the fairs with large FFA participation were: Anderson, Charleston, Florence, Piedmont Interstate at Spartanburg, S. C. State Fair at Columbia, Upper State Fair at Greenville, York, and Orangeburg. Students of agriculture demonstrated their know-how against both youth and adults. The thousands of dollars in prize money and large number of expense-paid trips to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City in November are proof that the quality of exhibits and exhibitors were tops. Few of the highlights of the fairs are shown in the pictures that follow.



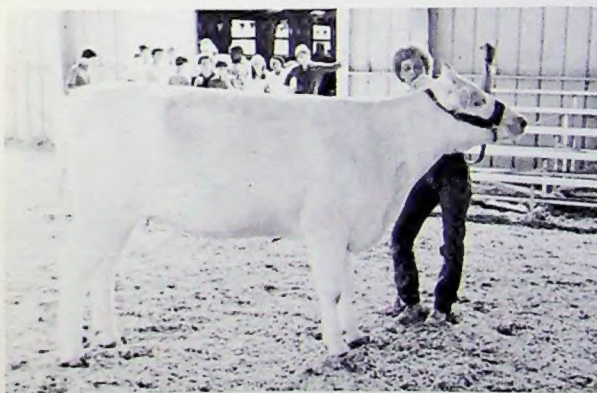
Mike Crum with his prize-winning Duroc gilt entered in the Junior and Open Swine Show at the S. C. State Fair in Columbia. Mike is a member of the Pelion FFA Chapter. His agriculture teacher is Frank R. Stover, Jr.



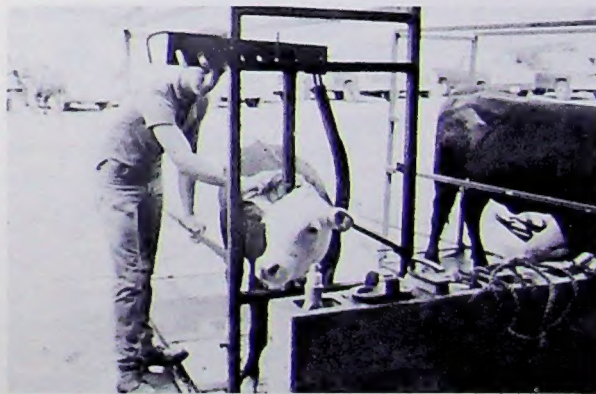
Training a hog to show is especially difficult since all you have to control the animal with is a swine show stick, which looks like a walking stick for people.



This is Tom Fink's prize-winning holstein entered in the S. C. State Fair in Columbia. Tom is a member of the Gilbert FFA Chapter. His agriculture teacher is Jack Cunningham.



Training an animal to show in the show ring requires lots of hours and much patience with an animal as shown here by this young lady. The feet and head must be in the proper position.



Fitting the animal, whether it be beef, swine, or dairy requires special skills and equipment, as well as long hours and a great deal of patience.

FFA MEMBERS IN ACTION



Dawn Anderson, with one of her crossbred heifers entered in the Junior and Open Beef Cattle shows at the S. C. State Fair. Her teachers of agriculture are Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales.



Lydia McGill showing one of her shorthorns at the S. C. State Fair. Lydia is a member of the Crescent FFA Chapter. Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales are her agriculture teachers.



Jody Watt with his prize-winning shorthorn that was entered in the Junior and Open Shows at the S. C. State Fair in Columbia. Jody is a member of the Crescent FFA Chapter and his agriculture teachers are Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales.



Lana Shaw preparing her prize-winning hereford for showing at the Upper State Fair in Greenville. Lana is a member of the Crescent FFA Chapter. She is in the eleventh grade. Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales are her teachers of agriculture at Crescent.



Bryan Shields is shown with his prize-winning hereford at the Upper State Fair in Greenville. Bryan is a member of the James F. Byrnes FFA Chapter. G. P. Jones, Jr. and Billy Bomar are the teachers of agriculture at Byrnes High School.



Three members of the Byrnes FFA Chapter are preparing their animals to enter the fitting and showmanship classes at the Upper State Fair in Greenville. The prize for winning this contest is an expense-paid trip to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City. Teachers of agriculture at James F. Byrnes High School are G. P. Jones, Jr. and Billy Bomar.

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FFA MEMBERS IN ACTION



This is the Junior Champion and Grand Champion crossbred gilt at the Upper State Fair in Greenville. The proud owner is Dawn Anderson of the Crescent FFA Chapter, who also showed five shorthorn beef cattle at the fair. Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales are Dawn's agriculture teachers.



Jody Watt shown grooming his polled hereford for show at the Upper State Fair at Greenville. Jody won a fitting and showmanship trip to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City sponsored by the Fair Association. He also showed five more beef cattle, winning ribbons and money. Jody is a member of the Crescent FFA Chapter. Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales are his agriculture teachers.



Dawn Anderson with her Senior Champion Yorkshire Boar at the Upper State Fair in Greenville. Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales are her teachers of agriculture at Crescent High School.



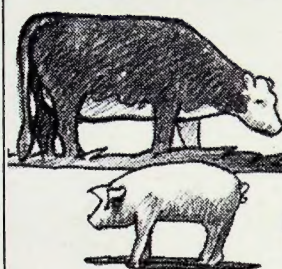
Jody Watt is shown with his Grand Champion Duroc sow at the Upper State Fair in Greenville. The sow was also declared the Grand Champion Sow of All Breeds. Jody is a member of the Crescent FFA Chapter. Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales are the agriculture teachers at Crescent High School. Jody also showed six polled herefords.



Dawn Anderson is shown with a champion gilt at the Upper State Fair in Greenville. Dawn won a trip to the National FFA Convention on showmanship with this pig. The trip was sponsored by the Tri-County Pork Producers Association. She is chapter secretary of the Crescent FFA Chapter. Joe M. Price and H. S. Clinkscales are teachers of agriculture at Crescent.

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